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## WADENSTEN ENDS SPECULATION ON RI GUBERNATORIAL CAMPAIGN WILL NOT RUN IN 2014

He will continue to focus on potholes, RI Commerce Corporation, Reshoring American Manufacturing

East Providence, RI, March 18, 2014— During an appearance on *Dan Yorke State of Mind* on WPRI-12, <http://wpri.com/category/dan-yorke-state-of-mind>, Karl Wadensten announced that he will not seek election for Rhode Island Governor in 2014.

*"I have three major initiatives I am currently working on that I am passionate about. Number one – working to change our culture by fixing roads in Rhode Island; Number two – my work with the Office of Regulatory Reform and the RI Commerce Commission to make it easier to do business in Rhode Island; and Number three – to support the reshoring of American manufacturing via my role as Chair of a global manufacturing organization, speaking, and advocating for operational excellence. I need to see those initiatives through."*



Photo 1 – March 18, Wadensten chants "Rhode Island #1" with the Bristol, RI Department of Public Works and Town Manager Tony Teixeira

Wadensten said that he has learned through decades of leadership experience that passion is an essential component of leadership. He indicated that he arrived at his decision after deep reflection and consideration, and was humbled by the support and words of encouragement he received.

*"I promise to continue to be an advocate... a voice for action... a voice for business... and a voice for truth... and I promise to help fix Rhode Island's roads and then report back on how we did."*

Karl Wadensten is President of VIBCO Vibrators (<http://www.vibco.com>) located in Wyoming, RI and manufactures vibrators for industrial and construction use. In recent weeks, VIBCO has initiated a program to provide no-charge vibratory rollers to Rhode Island cities and towns.

The next Pothole Patcher delivery and pothole repair session will begin on Thursday morning at 9:00am with the City of Central Falls. The Central Falls Public Works Facility is located at The Bessette Building, 1280 High Street in Central Falls, RI. Mayor Diossa, Public Works Director Elaine Partridge and DPW employees will attend the training and will go out on the road to repair potholes.

### About VIBCO Vibrators

Founded in 1962, VIBCO Vibrators designs, manufacturers and markets a comprehensive range of electric, pneumatic and hydraulic vibrators for construction and industrial use including standard and custom vibrating tables. VIBCO Vibrators also designs, manufactures and markets a complete line of vibratory plate compactors and rollers. All standard VIBCO products are available from stock same or next day and the company is committed to quality, throughput, innovation and 100% employee engagement. VIBCO Vibrators is headquartered in Wyoming, RI, USA.

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